

Amendments to the Claims

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3. (Currently amended) The ~~[convertible barrow]~~ improvement according to claim 8, wherein said first pivot points are located along a vertical line drawn from a point on the platform that is one quarter of the distance from the heel end to the toe end of the platform.

5. (Currently amended) The ~~[combination]~~ improvement according to claim 8, wherein said opposed side walls define openings with holes aligned with the second pivot points and wherein said closure member pivot arms terminate in pins disposed in said holes.

6. (Currently amended) The ~~[combination]~~ improvement according to claim 5, wherein said closure member pivot arms are flexible in a lateral direction to permit said pins to be withdrawn from said holes so as to allow the closure member to be detached from the barrow.

7. (Currently amended) The ~~[combination]~~ improvement according to claim 8, including a latching mechanism to hold said gate temporarily in an open position.

8. (Currently amended) A convertible barrow comprising a body having a substantially flat platform arranged to rest flat on the ground, the platform having a toe end and a heel end and a middle substantially midway between said toe end and said heel end and arranged to receive a load at the toe end from substantially ground level, opposed side walls, and a rear wall extending upwardly and rearwardly from the heel end of the flat platform to form an included angle with said platform about said heel end on the order of 120°, a handle attached to the body and extending upwardly and rearwardly from the body and arranged such that a user may tilt the body on either the toe end or the heel end of the platform, a wheel carriage having at least two spaced wheels rotatably mounted on a cross member, a pair of wheel pivot arms each pivotably connected to the cross member at one end thereof and pivotably connected to the opposed side walls at first pivot points at the other end thereof and spaced apart by a width greater than the width of the platform, and a gate for retaining the load when the platform is tilted, ~~[said convertible barrow being characterized in that:]~~